



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ- OECA-2012-0693; FRL – 9993-09-OMS]

Information Collection Request Submitted to OMB for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NESHAP for Taconite Iron Ore Processing (Renewal)

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), NESHAP for Taconite Iron Ore Processing (EPA ICR Number 2050.07, OMB Control Number 2060-0538) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through June 30, 2019. Public comments were previously requested via the *Federal Register* on May 30, 2018 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. A fuller description of the ICR is given below, including its estimated burden and cost to the public. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: Additional comments may be submitted on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**.

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ- OECA-2012-0693, to (1) EPA online using www.regulations.gov (our preferred method), by email to docket.oeca@epa.gov, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460, and (2) OMB via email to oira_submission@omb.eop.gov. Address comments to OMB Desk Officer for EPA.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without

change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick Yellin, Monitoring, Assistance, and Media Programs Division, Office of Compliance, Mail Code 2227A, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-2970; fax number: (202) 564-0050; email address: yellin.patrick@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Abstract: The National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for the regulations published at 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart RRRRR were proposed on December 18, 2002, promulgated on October 30, 2003, and amended on April 20, 2006. These regulations apply to existing facilities and new taconite iron ore processing facilities that emit or have the potential to emit a single hazardous air pollutant (HAP) at a rate of 10 tons or more per year or any combination of HAPs at a rate of 25 tons or more per year. The affected sources are ore crushing and handling operations, ore dryers, indurating furnaces, finished pellet handling emission units, and fugitive dust emissions. New facilities include those that commenced construction or reconstruction after the date of proposal. This information is being collected to assure compliance with 40 CFR Part 63, Subpart RRRRR.

In general, all NESHAP standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and

periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility, or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance, and are required of all affected facilities subject to NESHAP.

Form Numbers: None.

Respondents/affected entities: Taconite iron ore processing facilities.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Mandatory (40 CFR Part 63 Subpart RRRRR).

Estimated number of respondents: 7 (total).

Frequency of response: Initially, occasionally, and semiannually.

Total estimated burden: 483 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

Total estimated cost: \$576,000 (per year), includes \$521,000 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in the Estimates: There is an adjustment increase in the total estimated burden as currently identified in the OMB Inventory of Approved Burdens. This increase is not due to any program changes. The adjustment increase in burden from the most recently approved ICR is due to an increase in the number of sources. Three sources that have been idle have restarted operations. There is no change in capital/startup costs compared with the costs in the previous ICR, as there are no new sources subject to initial startup requirements. The change in the operation and maintenance (O&M) costs compared with the costs in the previous ICR are due to the three existing plants that were idle becoming operational.

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